



## Nursery Class Curriculum Newsletter

### Autumn Term (2) 2024

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and are looking forward to this next half term. It is certainly going to be busy with lots of exciting learning and activities happening, not to mention Christmas!

Thank you to everyone who made themselves available for a parents evening phone call - hopefully, it answered any questions you had and provided information on how children have settled in to nursery.



Children have all settled in so well and are starting to form and build friendships and relationships with their peers and with the adults in our Nursery team. We are pleased with the progress children are making.

### Topic



This half term we are building upon the fantastic start we have already made and will be focussing on the three prime areas of the EYFS curriculum.

The topics we choose are heavily led by the children's interests and encompass several areas of learning. For this reason, the topics will change to reflect the direction the children take their learning. Our topic this half term is 'How do we celebrate?' We will be looking at different types of celebrations and look at children's own experiences of different celebrations e.g. birthdays, weddings, baptism. Thank you to all those that sent in Baptism pictures the children loved looking at them.



For future learning we are going to be looking at birthdays and how we have changed over time. For this could you send a picture of your child as a new born baby and one on their last birthday (interim birthdays can be attached too). This helps children to build upon their personal experiences and provide opportunities for speaking and listening.

We will also be learning about themed events as they occur this half term including Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Advent and Christmas.

Like last half term, I would like to see what the children would like to learn about as much as possible, so I will be sending home a blank 'planning map' for you to include your child's interests and what they may wish to learn about. From this, I will then include these ideas in my planning so that your child receives a bespoke curriculum involving home, school and your child in the planning process.

**Please can you complete the planning map and upload to your child's tapestry account as soon as possible or return completed to Nursery.**

## Tapestry

Thank you to those of you who have contributed to your children's learning journey. If anyone is still having trouble logging onto Tapestry, please let me know. Thank you. Please can you continue to upload things your child gets up to outside of Nursery onto Tapestry - we love sharing this with the children and it really does help to build their confidence up. Please feel free to add any significant home learning from children and any special events they are involved in.



## Come and See (RE)

We are continuing with the 'Welcome' topic, helping the children to understand what it is to welcome and be welcomed and know baptism is a welcome into God's family. We will also learn about another faith, Judaism, and join the whole school in learning about Judaism week in November. Then we will look at Advent/Christmas and loving. We will learn how Jesus's birthday is celebrated. We then look at Celebrating and how people celebrate with the parish family.

## Outdoor Provision

We all have daily access to outdoor play. Outdoor learning is an essential part of children's development. As we move through Autumn and into winter it will be getting wetter and colder so please could I ask that each child brings a warm coat and waterproof shoes to Nursery every day as it can get messy and wet! This means we can enjoy playing outside whatever the weather! Wellies can be left on our welly rack in Nursery rather than bringing them to and from Nursery every day. Please ensure that your child's wellies and coat are clearly labelled.





## Library books & bags

If your child attends on a Friday they will attend book club. Children choose a book from our selection of home readers. These are changed once a week. Children in on Monday attend the library every other week. If you would like to, you can also upload videos or photographs of your child sharing their class or library book with you.

It is important that your child brings their plastic reading bag every day to Nursery even if it is empty. When the children do any drawings, paintings etc... they are encouraged to find their own book bag to put their work into (getting them ready for school). This also enables us to put any letters or notices into their bag for your attention at home.

## Water Bottles

Please can you also ensure that if your child does bring a water bottle it is **WATER** only (no juice please due to allergies which is in line with school policy). If you wish for your child to have juice with their lunch please provide a separate drink for class. Most children are choosing to pour water from our jug in nursery rather than use their water bottle so do not worry if you are not bringing one.

## PE Days

Nursery have PE Thursday morning. Please can your child come to Nursery in jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers on those days.

## Magic Moments Slips

'Magic Moment Slips' are one way in which you can contribute to your child's learning journey. They are to be completed by an adult when you see your child do something that perhaps you haven't seen before or make you go 'wow' or smile. Please add a photo or comment on Tapestry of your child's magic moment for us to share. The magic moments are used as part of 'show and tell' during our key worker time and are then displayed on our magic moment wall. We will send home some new magic moment slips next week.

## Other important information

- Please make sure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name.
- Your child has access to water and a piece of fruit throughout the day. They can visit the snack table when they wish to during continuous provision time.

- We also offer toast each morning. If you would like your child to have toast, please arrange payment at the school office.
- Library day is a Monday -if your child does not attend on a Monday and you have opted in for a library book please return their book at an earlier time. Thank you.

### Reminders!

To bring or send in or upload to tapestry - Celebration photos such as Weddings, Birthdays,

Reading bag to be brought daily

Wellies,

Waterproof coat (or puddle suit if you own one),

Change of clothes and underwear (all named) in one bag either to stay in nursery or to go home.

If you have any questions about anything please just send us a message on Dojo and we will respond to you as quick as we can. Please don't hesitate to ask anything at all!

Thank you for your support

Miss Bowler and the Nursery team.